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Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated December 22, 2003 in the above-identified U.S. patent application. A check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the extension fee is enclosed.

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed simultaneously herewith.

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